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JULIA HAMMETT: Hello. My name is Julia

12 Hammett. I live in Reno, Nevada. I have a doctorate in
13 anthropology with a specialty in land use and resource
14 analysis.

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15 My father is a Professional Engineer, and we
16 moved to Las Vegas in 1968 so he could work at the Nevada
17 Test Site. My father isn't here tonight because he's
18 home sick with lymphoma. Both my parents served in World
19 War II. We are proud Americans and good citizens. We
20 worked in environmental and energy management for three
21 generations.

22 From this background I make four comments.

23 Transporting nuclear waste is bad science.

24 It makes no sense. It's reckless, needless and not
25 wanted in Nevada. Keep waste where it's made.

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1 Two, the Yucca Mountain plan is faulty. In
2 1992 a magnitude 5.6 earthquake in the vicinity of Yucca
3 Mountain caused a million dollars in damages to DOE's
4 Field Operations Center.

5 Three, economics. With the site 60 miles
6 from Las Vegas, a million people, there's a high risk of
7 jeopardizing our welfare and our standard of living. How
8 many Nevadans already suffer from cancer at the hands of
9 the federal government? If this dump happens, life as we
10 know it in Nevada may be a thing of the past.

11 Finally, the Nevada state flag, which is
12 right behind me, says, "Battle Born." Nevadans have been
13 good Americans since we helped re-elect Abraham Lincoln.

14 We've paid our dues. Don't make the mistake of thinking
15 Nevadans will let this dump happen. I repeat, battle
16 born. I thank you.

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